

Truckers Convoy and Protective Services

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Current Statistics:

Latest Data (estimates):

- Convoys totalling approximately 2950 vehicles have arrived in the NCR.
- Unknown number of vehicles in the downtown core.
- Approximately 750 people reported at this time on Parliament Hill and approximately 300 people on Wellington St. Lots of foot traffic observed on Wellington heading East.
- OPS advised of a new convoy travelling to the NCR from Arnprior, ON. Convoy contains approximately 20 vehicles.
- Reports of a possible convoy leaving the Kingston, ON area were received. No confirmed numbers or location at this time.
- Some trucks are trying to leave the downtown core and police are working with the organizers. There are fears of a lack of fuel now.
- Heavy traffic on Kent St. Truckers on this street are growing increasingly frustrated that the OPS have blocked the road. Convoy blocked off at Queen St.
- Alexandra and Portage Bridges remain closed; Chaudiere Bridge southbound is closed; MacDonald Cartier has reopened to 2 lanes in each direction; Champlain Bridge remains open.
- Rideau centre remains closed today due to issues yesterday surrounding protestors entering the mall in absence of complying with COVID measures.

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- **Coutts, Alberta:** The POE in Coutts, AB continues to be impacted by a convoy protest. Alternate crossings have been opened, however, it is anticipated that it will take some time before the convoy is cleared and traffic is rolling smoothly. While the organizers have asked that people cooperate, some are not following the organizers requests. It is estimated that there are approximately 800 people at the POE.

Convoy Overview:

- The demonstration is comprised of 3 "Freedom Convoys", one from Western Canada, one from Eastern Canada and a third from Southern Ontario.
- The goal of the nation-wide protest is to disrupt traffic flow and general business of government in the hopes that the Canadian government will lift all COVID-19 related restrictions.
- Key timelines as of right now are as follows:
 - January 30*
 - **11:00 AM:** Church service on Parliament Hill led by Pastor **Personal Info.**; March from 1 Nicholas St. to Parliament Hill led by PPC leader Maxime BERNIER.
 - **12:00 PM:** The leader of the People's Party of Canada (PPC) speaking on Parliament Hill.
 - **Afternoon:** Press Conference by organizers (event time and location TBD).
 - In a Facebook video, the Farfadaa group was observed at a peaceful protest in Hull at approximately 1:00 PM. At approximately 3:30 PM, a Facebook live stream of the Farfadaa group began which shows the group walking North on Maisonneuve. They stated that they have to do a detour and that they negotiate when they want. They stated since the police would not negotiate they would speak to the RCMP.
 - PPC leader BERNIER was observed speaking on Wellington St. at approximately 1:00 PM.
 - January 31*
 - According to the Canada Unity website, on January 31st, the group will begin hosting a speaker event at Confederation Park.
- Reports from the House of Commons that some protestors on the grounds of PH, were being verbally abusive (Jan 29).
- PPS received an application for a permit in support of a riser that will be installed for 2 days. Application was submitted by organizer of 'Adopt a Trucker' fundraiser.
- Speakers have been set up in front of Queen's Gate.
- SQ advises that Ottawa Churches are opening up their doors to accommodate individuals who have nowhere to stay this evening, and also advises that almost all downtown Ottawa restaurants are closed this evening, which limits where people will be able to eat (Jan 29).
- NCRCC has confirmed that, despite bridge closures, anyone needing to get to work from QC (first responders, health care workers, law enforcement) can show their work ID/badges at the Chaudiere Bridge and gain access to the NCR through Booth St.

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- Trucks are trying to get around the City of Ottawa heavy vehicles that are blocking roads downtown.
- Alexandria and Portage bridges remain closed to traffic coming into the NCR.

Solidarity Protests:

- In solidarity of the main convoy, demonstrations may take place at Federal buildings across Canada: Victoria, Legislative Assembly, Vancouver, Canada Place, Calgary, Prince Island Park, Edmonton, Legislature building, Regina, Legislative building, Winnipeg, The Forks, Toronto, Union Station, Montreal, Place des arts, Moncton, Riverfront Park, St John's, Harbourside Park.
- CBSA Updating on Ports of Entry (Jan 29):
 - Woodstock: As of 1:00 PM, more personal motor vehicles have arrived at the Woodstock Rd. POE. Fewer than five (5) vehicles, however, are blocking one of the southbound lanes to the US. One lane remains open to commercial motor vehicles. Incident command has negotiated with the Canadian protestors, who will allow commercial motor vehicles to pass through into the US. No personal motor vehicles would be permitted through the protest location.^{s.37}
 - 7:02 AM: A truck convoy had assembled North of the Emerson port of entry. Approximately 100 commercial vehicles are participating. All four (4) lanes of Highway 75 appear to be occupied.
 - As of 11:54 AM, group of 100 vehicles reported protesting on Huron Church Rd. in Windsor, ON, near Ambassador Bridge POE. No impact on border traffic and no reported activity on the US side of the border.
- "Slow roll" convoys at provincial and Canada/U.S. border crossings are being planned over the weekend.
- BC:
 - Terrace, BC: Approximately 150 passenger and commercial vehicles participated in a peaceful rally that was held yesterday.
 - Planned protest on January 29th in Terrace, BC. An estimated 200+ vehicles are expected to participate and the planned route is being shared on the following Facebook Group 'Bear Hug 4 Bear Hug'.
 - Osoyoos: Convoy departing at 8:00 AM PST traveling to Vernon, with a plan to then return back to Osoyoos, stopping at Town Hall at 1:00 PM PST and then at the Osoyoos Port of Entry (Canada/US Border) at 3:00 PM PST.
 - Vernon:
 - At 9:30 AM PST, approximately 50 vehicles gathered on the weigh scale north of Vernon on Hwy 97. Convoy departed shortly after towards Kelowna, BC.
 - A large group of approximately 300 people gathered at the intersection of Hwy 97/25th Ave. at 12:00 PM PST and fully dispersed at 2:00 PM PST.

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- Fort St. John, BC: “Freedom Rally” caused significant delays between Dawson Creek and Fort St. John and complaints from the public were received. Rally finished at the Charlie Lake site with a BBQ for the participants. Members estimated 300 vehicles were involved in the rally.
- Lower Mainland:
 - On January 29th at 11:00 AM PST, a planned rally began at Memorial Peace Park. Attendance was estimated at 125-150 individuals. Speeches were delivered and the group began their march at 11:30 AM PST. During the march, minor traffic disruptions occurred. Once back to the park, the group dispersed and traffic flow is no longer an issue. Event was peaceful.
 - At 10:00 AM PST, people started gathering at the Lickman Overpass in Chilliwack, BC. By 1:00 PM PST, the group had grown to 500 people, lined up on both sides of the overpass. At 3:00 PM PST, there were over 1000. Crowd began to disperse at 5:00 PM PST and it is estimated that over 6000 vehicles would have passed through from the time the gathering began. Event has now concluded.
 - Protests are also being planned in Lumby and Vernon.
- **Alberta:** Traffic to and from the Canadian side of the border crossing at Coutts, Alberta is completely blocked. There is a jack-knifed semi truck (reinforced with other vehicles) blocking the northbound lane of Highway 4. On the Canada side, the RCMP shut down access to Coutts last night January 29th as the traffic is snarled and will take a long time to get it moving. Jack knifed trailers (multiple), more trucks against them, tow truck operators as part of the protest. Only one heavy tow truck operator is working but it takes hours to clear just one truck. The organisers have asked for people to cooperate, however, the ‘people’ are not following organisers direction. There are splinter factions and some are quite militant. There are over 800 people at the location with many innocent bystanders caught up in this. (Jan 30 at 12:05PM). The dialogue between the participants and the CCMG has degraded. We are not able to direct traffic to an alternate border crossing. Social media posts have been put out from the Alberta RCMP Twitter and Facebook accounts for public safety.
- **Manitoba:** CBSA reporting protest at the Port of Entry in Emerson, MB. In addition, there are Support Freedom convoys in the Emerson, MB and Headingley, MB areas. Convoys consist of a significant number of vehicles are causing traffic disruptions. Emerson convoy involves approximately 100-150 vehicles (6km in length) and activity involves a slow roll 2-mile continuous loop along Hwy 75. The Headingley convoy is over 40km in length and is making its way towards Winnipeg, MB. No significant issues, outside of the disruption of traffic flow.
- **Ontario:** A slow roll to cause disruption is planned for January 29th in Sault Ste. Marie area.
- **New Brunswick:**
 - Convoys from B, H and L division have joined together in Aulac, New Brunswick. J Division S.37 (until midnight), to manage four events: NS/NB border Protest, NB/Maine Port of Entry

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Protest, a private vehicle convoy from NE NB, and a severe winter storm. Blockades occurred but did not last longer than 1.5 hours due to severe weather deterioration. Information received that there will be a 'slow roll' in St. Stephens, NB on January 30th. This is another POE from NB into Maine, USA.

- Information has been received suggesting multiple protests being planned throughout the province for 2022-01-31 with the potential to impact critical infrastructure.
- **Nova Scotia:** As of 08:00 AM on January 30th, Hwy #104 has reopened. The small group of protestors on the NB side, has decided to return to their communities. Protestors in Amherst have also returned to their communities. An application has been made for street closures in the Town of Shelburne and areas, to support the 'slow roll' of vehicles through an approved route.
- **PEI:** A convoy plans to begin a slow roll demonstration at 01:00 PM EST on January 29 from the By-Pass and University Ave intersection down University Ave to the Cenotaph before dispersing.

Operational Planning:

- Given the multi-jurisdictional impacts of this large scale demonstration on the NCR, all key stakeholders (RCMP, OPP, OPS, PPS, SQ, MRC des Collines, the City of Ottawa, Ville de Gatineau, SPVG) are actively planning and collaborating to ensure public safety.
- RCMP, in collaboration with PPS, are in the process of activating drone mitigation protocols, to support detection requirements.
- PPS advised that concrete reinforcement blocks have been added to No Name St. New concrete reinforcements have also been added in front of parking "850" beside Supreme Court.
- As long as protestors remain peaceful, they will be able to exercise their democratic rights to protest. Should this extend into several days, whereby undue disturbances are caused to the public and downtown core, judicial authorizations to forcibly remove trucks and protestors may be considered. The City of Ottawa, OPS, and Ottawa Legal Services are currently exploring all legal options, which includes injunctions.
- Using force to remove the truckers and protestors will be considered as the last resort. The preferred strategy is to wait it out, with truckers and protestors egressing willingly.
- RCMP Senior Management has declared these events as being 'Extreme circumstances' to facilitate the ability to access resources on short notice, in the event that surge capacity is required to support a prolonged event. NPF have been consulted and are supportive.
- January 30, 2022 at 11:32, a communiqué was distributed confirming the declaration of this event as an "extreme circumstance", in accordance with Section 21.28 of the RCMP Regular Members (below the rank of Inspector) and Reservists (RM) Collective Agreement. Therefore, should it be absolutely required, members redeployed under the temporary National Division command may exceed their maximum allotted hours of work until resource replacements or relief arrive.

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- RCMP surge capacity currently stands at over 100 members in the NCR, inclusive of C Division (40), National Division, Ottawa Detachment and National Headquarters. Additional surge capacity has been identified by C Division (50) and O Division (40), who are ready to deploy to the NCR, if required.
- The RCMP has asked Transport Canada to temporarily expand their standard NOTAM over Parliament Hill as part of their plan for managing the scene. They have issued a temporary NOTAM for the additional space not covered by the permanent restriction over Parliament.
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- MLT working with PPS to distribute a message to Ministerial Chiefs of Staff requesting information on which Ministers plan to attend Parliament on January 31st, along with arrival/departure times. This will assist in scoping out sequencing and routes.
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- The **National Capital Region Command Centre (NCRCC)** will be activated as of 8:00 AM on January 28th, through to at least January 30th.
- All key internal and external stakeholders will have a presence in the Regional Command Centre to ensure ongoing communication and collaboration. While the NCRCC will also serve as the area command centre for the RCMP, forward command centres are being stood up at alternate locations by OPS and PPS with direct linkages into the NCRCC.
- In addition to domestic partners, a representative from the US Embassy will be in the Command Centre given the potential impacts on that diplomatic site.
- The Ottawa Police, and PPS, with support from the OPP have a vehicle screening process for the downtown core, and can support up to 3000 vehicles for inspection.
- The 2 lanes surrounding Parliament are controlled at sites on Kent and Bank Streets, with mobile command centers set up. (POJ and PPS)
- Given the resumption of Parliament scheduled for January 31st, contingency plans are being developed to ensure supplemental resources are available and to minimize the potential for ongoing disruptions.
- The RCMP C Division helicopter has been made available for 24/7 usage and Transport Canada has offered up a helicopter, should it be required.
- SPVG have advised that the Alexandria Bridge will be closed as of 6:00 PM on January 28th.
- GOC sent out an email to the CSO/DCSO community advising that they have received confirmation surrounding protestors entering office buildings in the downtown core and allegedly causing damage. As a result, Minto Place, is going into weekend lockdown mode, effectively immediately.

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- PSPC is working in close collaboration with the Parliamentary Protective Service to coordinate activities specific to the parliamentary precinct, such as providing barricades and access to infrastructure as required during the event.
- As a precautionary measure, and following recommendations from security partners, PSPC has authorized the lock down of all buildings under its control (100 Wellington, National Press Building, etc.). Access for essential building occupants will be maintained at all times.
- **Jersey pillars have been placed on the perimeter of the War Memorial.**

Public Order:

- The **Parliamentary Protective Service (PPS)** is the planning lead for the **Parliamentary Precinct and the grounds of Parliament Hill.**
- The **Ottawa Police Service (OPS)** is leading the planning for the **National Capital Region.**
- **National Division** is planning in support of the RCMP's **protective mandate** and working to ensure that we support our law enforcement partners in the region with any specialized support services required.

RCMP Protective Mandate:

- The RCMP's role is to maintain Protective Policing core VIP duties at all times.
- Following a message from the SAA to MP's regarding the publication of addresses online, the RCMP has received a vetted list of MP's residing in the NCR. The next step will be to develop a visualization map of these residences and consideration is being given to utilizing surge capacity resources proactively, deploying them in teams to increase patrols in the areas.
- PPS and Protective Operations are ironing out the details surrounding advances to Westblock, in order to plan for the resumption of Parliament.
- PPS has been advised that 175 MPs and 20 Ministers plan to attend Parliament on January 31st. A call was held at 3:00 PM January 29th between PPS, RCMP (Protective), RCMP (MLT), PCO, and PSPC to discuss ingress and egress into the downtown core. Key highlights include:
 - RCMP, PPS and SAA to work together on arrivals and departures.
 - Some will be on foot and some via vehicles. MLT message will help with sequencing.
 - Speaker Roda and Official Opposition Leader O'Toole to be considered as part of the Ministerial packages.
 - PPS is working with the WHIP's offices. They will be flexible to any plans including the possibility of an earlier than normal start to the day.
 - PSPC is engaged should further fencing etc be needed.
 - Tunnels are being explored for ingress.
 - Planning is ongoing with another meeting the morning of January 30th.

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- Using force to remove the truckers and protestors will be considered as the last resort. The preferred strategy is to wait it out, with truckers and protestors egressing willingly.
- Regarding the resumption of Parliament, in anticipation of protests continuing, our Ministerial Liaison Team is working with PPS to determine which Ministers plan to attend Parliament tomorrow, along with arrival and departure times. This will assist in scoping out sequencing and routes. The acting Director of PPS is scheduling another meeting today (5:00PM) with representatives of RCMP, SAA, PSPC, HoC and OPS to discuss the egress and ingress plan for tomorrow.
- Minister O'Regan advised POCC that a group of protestors have rented out a condo (Air B&B) in his building. Has expressed concern as he is flying out of the NCR this evening. POCC will be deploying a driver to pick him up at his condo and to transport him to YOW for a 5:00 PM departure.
- OSGG has advised that the Governor General wishes to remain at Rideau Hall in the private quarters. The Close Protection and site postures will be adjusted accordingly.
- PM is isolating, following COVID exposure, at Harrington Lake.
- s.37 [REDACTED] at Harrington Lake, with no plans to relocate.
- GG and spouse in private quarters at Rideau Hall. No plans to relocate.
- SCCJ in Magog, QC area at residence, plans to return to the NCR Feb 6th.
- January 28th: RCMP, OPS and PCO Chief Security Officer held a call at 4:30 PM with Ministers Chiefs of Staff to provide an update on the demonstrations. Roughly 40 people participated in the call. The following questions were raised with the associated responses provided:
 - What if the demonstrations extend past Sunday, plan for the return to Parliament on Monday? OPS has robust plan in place to ensure ingress and egress to Parliament Hill. National Division can assist with the escorting of Ministers, based on threat and risk. OPS PLT continue to work closely with organizers and the relationship remains positive. PPS has been stood up to hold to the fact that this could extend into next week.
 - Threat level at airport and plan for escorts to downtown core, given multiple Ministers will be arriving into the NCR on January 30 and 31? OPS indicated that there are no indications of threats towards YOW. Recognizing that 30 Ministers are scheduled to arrive on January 30, the RCMP will be conducting advances to the airport and can provide threat based escorts to Ministers.
 - Protection for Ministers who have been vocal about convoy? Corporate Security at the House of Commons works closely with the POCC and PPS to ensure the safety and security of all Parliamentarians. Awareness pieces have been provided. If security issue, direction is to call 911 and then report it into the SAA of the House of Commons. Any issues of criminality at constituency office should be reported to the police of jurisdiction, if uncertain, call SAA, can provide advice and will liaise with POCC, to facilitate or to provide support required.

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- Minister arriving with her driver on January 29, direction in terms of appropriate route to take? Request that the itinerary be sent into the POCC, to assess and provide support.
- Details have been finalized regarding increased patrols surrounding the Leader of the Opposition party's residence. Additional discussions are under way with Corporate Security at the House of Commons to explore enhanced situational awareness.
- Minister O'Regan s.37
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- US Embassy is quiet as of 3:23 PM.
- These Ministers/individuals currently s.37 :
 - Minister JOLY
 - Minister FREELAND
 - Minister DUCLOS
 - Minister MENDICINO
 - Minister GUILBEAULT
 - Minister BLAIR
 - Minister MILLER
 - Minister ANAND
 - Minister ALGHABRA
 - Dr. Theresa TAM.

PPS:

- PPS hosting operational briefing at 5:00PM today for all partners involved in supporting the operational readiness and response plan for the resumption of Parliament on January 31st
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- MLT working with PPS to distribute a message to Ministerial Chiefs of Staff requesting information on which Ministers plan to attend Parliament on January 31st, along with arrival/departure times. This will assist in scoping out sequencing and routes.
- PPS and Protective Operations are ironing out the details surrounding advances to Westblock, in order to plan for the resumption of Parliament.
- The Corporate Security directorates in the Senate and the House of Commons are fully briefed and no concerns have been raised relative to the overall plans.
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OPS:

- OPP reports that a demonstrator has collapsed in front of the stage on Parliament Hill. Medic is on route and police are on the scene.
- OPS has advised that, in addition to the larger demonstration in the downtown core, organizers are planning additional events on January 29th and 30th in Confederation Park.
- OPS has advised that Confederation Park will be used as the home base for some participants. This includes the installation of tents, food vendors (2 trucks) and a BBQ in the Park.
- An active plan for the demounting of truck trailers has also been established by the OPS.
- OPS COT overheard a group of demonstrators talking about a PC parked at the Chateau Laurier. Comments were made that the cruiser was there to entice them. The cruiser has since been moved.

RCMP National Division:

- National Division's Critical Incident Program (CIP), which includes the Protective Operations Response Unit, Emergency Response Team, Tactical Support Group, Crisis Negotiation Team, Critical Incident Commanders, Scribes and the Tactical Paramedic Unit are actively engaged in the planning process.
- Ottawa INSET investigating matter regarding a threat to bomb Parliament Hill, the source of the threat appears to be in Kitchener, ON. Toronto INSET has been engaged. s.37 places it in the Kitchener, ON area.
- The staging of RCMP public order resources and any other specialized operational support from the RCMP will be done in a discrete manner. At this time, we have not received a formal request for support from PPS or OPS, however, it is expected that these requests will be forthcoming as interagency planning evolves.
- The NPF has engaged National Division and has expressed support with the planning and communication efforts that have taken place to date. They have been invited to attend the NCRCC at any point during its activation.
- The RCMP is on standby to deploy any additional tactical troop or additional kinetic nature emergency dealings if required.

Intelligence and Open Source:

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- PPS PI reporting:

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- There continues to be significant online chatter to locate PM TRUDEAU's current whereabouts. This includes a Twitter post identifying a plane flying near Harrington Lake on Saturday night. Flight tracking services confirmed the flight information. No concerns identified by the CIG at this time. (Jan 30th at 10:57 AM)

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- A Facebook user shared a video and images from a small plane (approximately 15hrs ago). The plane appeared to be circling the downtown Ottawa area. According to the post caption, the pilot flew from Syracuse, NY. Unknown at this time if this individual plans on flying over the Ottawa area today.
- A Twitter post identified a plane flying near Harrington Lake (January 29th at 10:00 PM). OSINT has confirmed the flight record on a commercial flight tracking service (FlightRadar24). The airplane tail number is unknown, as information appears to be blocked. Flight tracking service reports that the plane flew near Harrington Lake at 0304hrs UTC (10:04 PM EST) at an altitude of 3,000ft and ground speed of 90kts.
- According to a Facebook live video posted at approximately 0958hrs on the s.37

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- SPVG reporting that SOI Personal Info. currently delivering a speech and is blocking the Portage Bridge.
- Daniel BULFORD, a recently resigned RCMP National Division (refused vaccination) and leads the Mounties4Freedom group, is organizing the volunteer security for the group warroomcanada.net which involves the task of reception and hosting the truck convoys converging in Ottawa. On Friday, January 28, 2022, BULFORD reached out to points of contact within the RCMP, OPP and NCRCC seeking any information obtained via open source on the demonstration. In his email, BULFORD noted "The single largest concern of everyone involved is that outside influences will attempt to instigate an action that will damage the credibility of the official convoy group and supporters." The RCMP supported the PIU to maintain a conduit with him. On Saturday, January 29, 2022, the PIU spoke with

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BULFORD and he stated he would advise if he learns of any violent intents. (Jan 30th at 1055AM)

- OS research reveals significant public criticism directed at convoy organizers (Personal Info. [REDACTED]) due to their past associations to extremist groups.
- Second hand information received that Person in Smiths Falls, ON received an order for 4 pallets of bricks to be delivered to downtown Ottawa. Order was cancelled.
- Recent Twitter posts suggest piles of bricks being left around Ottawa, likely downtown area. Possible that the group was able to fulfill their order elsewhere.
- OPS found OSINT information indicating that there are calls from a group (Trucking for Freedom) to upload footage to truckingforfreedom.com in order to create a documentary about the Convoy Freedom movement which began in Canada in January 2022. The group claims that they will be 'releasing an official documentary on this historic Canadian event' and are soliciting the help of videographers, photographers, drone pilots, or 'passionate Canadians' for their footage.
- OPP advised that the PLT spoke with the Person Info. [REDACTED], who expressed that no one was leaving and that more convoys will be coming from the US and West. He also advised that his 'executive board,' were all together at the Ark Hotel at 140 Slater, which is their 'command center'. Nothing to corroborate at this time. Their goal remains unchanged in that they want to ensure that everyone who has come for this movement get into the core and they are now mobilizing for this to happen. Looking to engage the NCR police services in what he called a 'risk mitigation meeting'. Information regarding this request of was shared with OPS.
- Former POTUS Trump spoke at a rally in Conroe, TX and mentioned the Canadian truckers. A Tweet posted at 9:01 PM states "President Trump sends a message to the Canadian truckers: 'We are with them all the way!'" A video is linked to the Tweet. In the video, Trump says: "The Canadian truckers, you've been reading about. Who are resisting, bravely, these lawless mandates are doing more to defend American freedom than our own leaders by far. And want those great Canadian truckers to know that we are with them all the way. They are.. they've really shown something.". The video has been viewed 27.4k times.
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- Continued uptick on social media about Harrington Lake, following the release of news articles that the PM has left Ottawa.
- CS-SAA advise that Ontario MPP Randy HILLIER wrote on a Tweet "I call on PPS to completely open Parliament Hill, or we might have to open it for ourselves." In the video, HILLIER is seen moving a barrier and encouraging people to move past it. PPS blocked the area so that people can not access it.
- Fireworks currently being set off on Parliament Hill.
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- Counter demonstrators are now present, expressing support for vaccines. This has the possibility of creating tensions.
- Reports of fires being started behind National Archives and in front of Supreme Court. Ottawa Fire is looking into it.
- Gadsden flag observed on Parliament Hill.
- Truck with flag carrying propane tank was spotted at the corner of Bay St. and Queen St.
- Security and intelligence partners continue to look in social media post referring to truck ramming gates.
- Centennial Flame is no longer lit, was extinguished, standard part of PPS operational planning when large scale event on the grounds of PH.
- Rideau Centre is closed due to non-compliance with COVID-19 measures.
- Drone spotted in the area of Parliament Hill.
- Sighting of a black flag depicting the Punisher's logo, resembles the flags deployed on January 6, 2021 by members of The Proud Boys, the Oath Keepers and unaffiliated rioters.
- Specific Subjects of interest:
 - In Facebook video, Personal Info. is observed saying the following:
 - Perso offers food, showers and washrooms, at the Holiday Inn (402 Queen St., Ottawa, ON) for people that are gridlocked;
 - They are working on getting fuel for trucks and/or getting the trucks to fuel stations;
 - They are working on logistic for portable toilets;
 - Claims that OPS is not well organized and they are on the "backfoot" with trucks scattered all over downtown;
 - Claims that there were 1.4M people in the city;
 - That the media is lying;
 - Perso says he has friends with sliptanks that they can use to refuel; and
 - Nobody is going anywhere; trucks won't be moved. Personal Info. were last seen on Wellington near the East Queen's gate entrance. SQ advising that Perso allegedly requested security support from Farfadaa members. s.37
 - OPS member spoke to Personal Info. regarding his open carry knife. Personal indicated that he is exercising his legal rights. OPS suggested that it might not be the image that he wishes to display at a peaceful protest. OPS is monitoring.
 - CIG identified live feed on Facebook from Personal and are monitoring. In a video posted last hour, Perso is observed in front of PMO offices, knocking on the door and stating "Hey Justin, are you home?".
 - Personal Info. (F / H Division) who has issued threats against the PM online and recently arrested on weapons charges is in the NCR. Personal Info. s.37

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s.37 [Personal Info.] was observed in a You Tube video titled 'Canadian Nazi Takeover of Ottawa' which was posted on the s.37 [Personal Info.]. In the video, he claims he is "here on the ground in Ottawa with the White Nationalists of Babylon". He also states "we've got [Personal Info.] here", who he then interviews. CBSA advises that on Jan 29th, [Personal Info.] imported a 'Blackhawk Empty Ammunition Can' originating from the United States.

- [Personal Info.] were spotted together in proximity to Parliament Hill.

- [Personal Info.], a leading Canadian QAnon figure and the self-proclaimed [Personal Info.], [Personal Info.] has raised so far a total of \$42,000 in an hour to fund her travel to Ottawa. [Personal Info.]

[Personal Info.] E INSET is continuing the investigation, looking at charges of Counseling to commit an offence.

- Convoy members appear to be stocking up on food and supplies which could indicate that they have long term plans to stay in Ottawa.
- Partners are now signaling the very strong possibility that this is a prolonged event, extending beyond the weekend and into late next week.
- The GoFundMe page currently sits at over **\$8.7M** and media is now reporting that GoFundMe has agreed to release \$1M to the organizers.
- There has been an increase in social media posts from users suggesting that violence should be used if the government does not acknowledge the convoy. **No substantiated threats or credible plans have been identified at this time.**
- OSINT has identified numerous SM posts from extremist groups (Plaid Army, Diagonal, and Canada First) indicating that they will be present in the NCR, as part of the convoy.
- While event details continue to evolve, there is nothing to indicate a fixed timeframe for egress from the NCR. At this time, organizers are suggesting that they will remain in the NCR until the government changes the vaccine mandate.
- The RCMP has located social media posts indicating some participants may stay around the downtown core until January 31st in hopes to disrupt the House of Commons sitting that day.
- [Personal Info.], an organizer who has previous planned events and protests for the group 'No More Lockdowns' was quoted in a National Post article as wanting to gridlock the city and was planning to stay until demands were met by the government.
- On January 27th, information was received via the National Security Information Line (NSIL) that during a s.37 [Personal Info.] broadcast, there was mention of the Proud Boys as being already present in the NCR. Ottawa INSET is investigating and deconfliction has been coordinated with our external security and intelligence partners.

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- Although the majority of information indicates organizers are planning a peaceful event, many social media posts suggest some participants may attempt to disrupt government buildings and further cause disruptions throughout the city.
- Twitter posts suggest that the convoys may at some point converge near 24 Sussex Drive to continue their protest.
- With respect to the threat picture, there has been an increase in online narratives supportive of the convoy among both ideologically motivated networks, as well as in general public discourse.
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- A post to the event Facebook group asks for known MP's addresses in Ottawa including the Prime Minister's residence and cottage. The posts suggest the convoy should break apart to protest at all these locations.
- The convoy is attracting individuals who are not aligned with any specific ideology or group, but who have experienced personal hardships (such as job loss) due to COVID-19 and are upset with provincial or federal government responses as COVID-19 continues to impact daily life.
- Open Source monitoring has identified associated posts advocating violence and there is potential for anti-government groups to join the demo with violent intentions. Online posts associated with the convoy continue to feed the conspiracy narrative with misinformation and disinformation which raises tensions with protestors.
- The RCMP Protective Operations Coordination Center (POCC) has reported a strong resentment on multiple social media platforms, targeting Prime Minister TRUDEAU, Minister of Transport Omar ALGHABRA and politicians in general.
- RCMP NHQ Communications advised that Minister Melanie JOLY made remarks during a radio interview with 98.5FM Montreal indicating that funding for the convoy may come from a foreign entity (Russia). These remarks remain unconfirmed and no online chatter surrounding this statement via OS has been identified. These types of statements could fuel tensions with the convoy group.
- On January 28th at 10:48 AM, an RCMP Analyst identified a post on Gab depicting a Sherp ATV being hauled by a red pick up truck participating in the convoy. This has been highlighted due to the concerns surrounding the presence of heavy machinery.
- OS posts indicating that participants should protest in front of the US Embassy, given the US has also introduced a vaccine mandate for truckers wishing to cross the Canada-US border. No detailed plan or direct threats related to US Embassy at this time.
- Project Hendon (OPP) Sit Rep includes:
 - Reports of what police believe may be a large air compressor being transported on a flat bed truck in the convoy;
 - OS research has identified a You Tube channel that appears to be live streaming police communications regarding the location and movement of the convoys, specifically from OPP radio communications;

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- Individuals attending the Ottawa protest may attend one or more hospitals in the Ottawa area;
- OS captured an image of a tractor trailer carrying a pick up truck and a smaller piece of equipment (possibly a construction light tower), a flat bed truck carrying another pick up truck and portable toilets; as well as what might be an excavator on the back of another truck. A large boat and a large ATV are also being hauled in the convoy.
- Advised of a Facebook group page, 'Drones for Freedom', seeking "footage of all the stronghold glare as around Ottawa not just downtown".
- OS analysts are looking into information surrounding SM posts regarding a 'Freeman of the Land' movement who are planning to attempt to serve a notice to the GG at Rideau Hall requesting the dissolution of Parliament.
- Twitter feed video and reports of a helicopter flying dangerously low over the downtown core and PH with vulgarities printed on it aimed at PM. Chopper reported to be back in Peterborough and is owned by Great Lakes Helicopter Corp.
- Nazi flag observed on Parliament Hill.
- OPP PLT reporting chatter that the end date of the event could be Feb 2nd. Many commercial vehicles on SJAM mentioning that they wish to leave due to a lack of fuel. Unclear if they would return.
- OPP OSINT reports SM narrative suggesting that Trudeau has gone to Tofino, BC. The SM user account has a known association to Extinction Rebellion protest actions in Ontario (Wet'suwet'en) and appears to have connections to Extinction Rebellion in BC. Unclear if this will circulate amongst convoys SM channels.
- Reports of protestors harassing the staff at the Shepherds of Good Hope (230 block of Murray St.) while seeking meals from the soup kitchen the evening of January 29th.
- Fort St. John, BC: On January 29th at 6:33 PM PST, Moose FM Radio Station contacted RCMP and advised they received a bomb threat from a male caller stating that if the station did not begin broadcasting new for the 'Freedom Rally' he would explode a pipe bomb in the station building. A phone number was captured, traced to a **Personal Info.** who is known to the police and was tracked to the Fort Motor Inn. GIS/PDS deployed, Radio station was evacuated and PDS with bomb detection profile called out.
- A post on Snapchat was identified of an individual wearing a flame thrower stationed on top of a recreational vehicle. The individual was on Wellington St. The Snapchat was posted approximately 7 hours ago and the individual was not identified.
- A post was shared to the Canada Unity page 9 hours ago which reads "So we want to prove to Justin Trudeau that we're not a FRINGE minority. We're preparing the '2nd Wave Convoy' getting ready to head to Ottawa."
- On s.37 **[REDACTED]** users have mentioned that more trucks are coming from Quebec. Discussions that the military would be in Ottawa to "clean up".

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- A social media user by the name of [Personal Info.] appears to be inciting violence on social media against public officials. The poster reported that he was stuck at the border crossing in Coutts, AB. The account has been created this month, likely within the past few days.
- A Q-Anon flag was observed on Parliament Hill.
- At 3:22 PM, a professional drone was spotted near West Block. PCC advised that they identified the drone owner and SOI was linked to drone incident during recent election.

Communications:

- On Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 11:32AM, a communiqué was distributed confirming the declaration of this event as an “extreme circumstance”, in accordance with Section 21.28 of the RCMP Regular Members (below the rank of Inspector) and Reservists (RM) Collective Agreement. Therefore, should it be absolutely required, members redeployed under the temporary National Division command may exceed their maximum allotted hours of work until resource replacements or relief arrive.
- OPS issued a news release at 8:10 AM providing an update on the events last night. They mentioned that crowds remained in the downtown core through the evening and were actively managed by police. Officers encountered several challenges with demonstrators, including sporadic road blockages by trucks which were cleared. These high risks situations were de-escalated and resolved with no arrests being made.
- PS will be issuing a news release to update on the protests. A copy of the release has been shared with all security partners.
- Draft communication has been prepared regarding the declaration of this event as an ‘extreme circumstance’ and the implications associated with Section 21.26 to 21.28 of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. It is currently being reviewed by Corporate and National Division LR. Once supported, it will be shared with the CO of National Division, for review, prior to distribution.
- RCMP (MLT) in collaboration with PPS have distributed a message to all Ministerial Chiefs of Staff, seeking details surrounding their plans for arriving and departing Parliament Hill on January 31st. This will support planning.
- National Division Communications reached out to OPS to inquire about whether or not they had any media briefings planned for today. At this time, no briefings are planned. OPS did indicate that they are providing a few key one-on-one media interviews, that will be done by their MRO, which includes CFRA Live @1335hrs, CBC TV/Zoom @1430 and RC Radio Live @1455. OPS is also planning on issuing a news release at 2:00 PM and will be sharing it with us shortly.
- National Division has received three (3) media requests today, all related to the relocation of the Prime Minister. Approved response has been sent to the reporter.
- National Division MRO on ground at Rideau Hall.
- Nat Division communications received media question surrounding rumours that the Prime Minister has been relocated from Rideau Hall for his safety. Following response has been

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approved by CSPER and Commissioner has been advised: **“The RCMP’s protective posture is always ready to adapt to ensure that an adequate level of protection is in place at all times for those we protect. To ensure the safety of those we protect, as well as our members, we do not disclose information related to specific security measures”.**

- In addition to the dissemination of the NOTAM through NAVCAN notices to air operators, Transport Canada will issue a tweet, to broaden dissemination to groups like drone users that may not be watching the technical NOTAM channels. (And they have been tweeting to advise people to respect safe drone use this weekend over Ottawa).
- The common hashtag **#demoGatOtt / #manifOttGat** has also been created for NCR security partners to use, as deemed appropriate.
- The Sergeant-At-Arms issued an email to all Parliamentarians, advising them of the demonstration and asking that they take the necessary precautions to ensure their safety and the safety of the general public.
- The Ottawa Police Service has set up a website dedicated to providing information and updates surrounding the Freedom Convey 2022 demonstrations:
<https://www.ottawapolice.ca/en/news-and-community/weekend-demonstration-information-and-updates.aspx>
- The City of Ottawa has also set up a website for residents:
<https://ottawa.ca/en/news/expected-demonstration-will-result-weekend-downtown-travel-disruptions>
- National Division met with the communications representatives from all partner law enforcement agencies to finalize communication approaches. The Division is actively sharing and cross-posting on all Social Media platforms, in order to support partner agencies.
- National Division and National Headquarters will be issuing messaging reminding employees of the potential for significant traffic disruptions this weekend, asking that they ensure that they are prepared in the event a broader mobilization is required and reiterating the importance of ensuring that employees refrain from self-deploying.
- National Division Media Relations Officers will be proactively deployed in the area of Rideau Hall, commencing in the afternoon on January 28th, their purpose will be to provide support in managing the media, if present.
- On January 26th, OPS issued a Public Service Announcement advising the public that significant traffic disruptions are to be expected in the NCR this week and that there will be a heightened police and emergency service presence in the downtown core and on major highways and roads. They’re encouraging residents to follow the city’s traffic management tool (@Ottawa_Traffic) for real time updates.
- The Canadian Trucking Alliance has issued a statement saying they do not support the current convoy.

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- Aware that MPs in Ottawa are concerned with individuals showing up at their residences, the RCMP in consultation with the Sergeant-at-Arms is coordinating a message to MPs that are consistent with our protocols:
 - If there is an imminent threat, call 9-1-1 immediately;
 - For all other incidents, contact the Sergeant-at-Arms; and,
 - Sergeant-at-Arms will coordinate with the community, including the RCMP.
- The RCMP's Ministerial Liaison Team will continue to proactively communicate and reach out to Ministers offices to assess the need for the deployment of protective measures.

Specific Minister Concerns

Prime Minister

- PM and s.37 are at Harrington Lake. The site is well secured with RCMP (ND and C Divisions) and MRC des Collines assets. Increased patrols in the area with high visibility presence with parked PCs. s.37 is currently in Montreal (return date TBD).
- NOTE: Open source monitoring identified unknown sources advising that the PM is at Harrington Lake and there are two entrances to the sight.

Minister ALGHABRA

- Minister Alghabra (Minister of Transport) has now been assigned s.37 and, at this time, will not be in the NCR until January 29th.
- On January 21, 2022, the Minister's s.37
- The RCMP's Ministerial Liaison Team was in contact with Minister ALGHABRA's office (Mike Maka, COS) on Wednesday, January 19 and again on Monday, January 24. The Minister's COS will share a copy of the Minister's itinerary with the POCC. Minister ALGHABRA will be in his home riding of Mississauga this week and will be in Ottawa the week of January 31.
- The PoJ (Peel Regional) has been informed of the situation and are engaged. The Minister will try to do most meetings from home, but should he have any events, they will ensure to notify the RCMP. They were very appreciative of our efforts. As of January 21, 2022, Minister ALGHABRA s.37

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- The Sergeant-At-Arms has distributed an email message to MP's with Constituency offices in the NCR, advising them of the potential disruptions and the precautions that can be taken to ensure their safety. It is expected that a similar message will be distributed to all Parliamentarians and Parliamentary employees.

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Minister MENDICINO

- Ministerial package for events, nil planned at this time.

Minister ANAND

- IPO Team in support of International Deployment (2022-01-30 to 2022-01-01). Ministerial package for events of concern, no events planned at this time.
- Minister Anand is to travel to Kyiv on January 20th alongside the Chief of Defence and staff.
- Minister Anand **will** be provided with IPO for her visit to Kyiv
- POCC determined that Kyiv is stable – for now but if this changes then it would be a war zone for which our members are not equipped. We also have a duty of care to our members.

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Dr. Theresa TAM

- There are concentrated patrols around her residence for duration of protests.
- Dr. Theresa Tam (Chief Public Health Officer of Canada) has been assigned s.37
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- CIG OSINT identified a post made on s.37 Post identified Dr. Theresa TAM's condo address and says "WE NEED our fellow Canadian Truckers freedom fighters to head out to protest her to be REMOVED IMMEDIATELY". s.37
- s.37 PRU has been dispatched, confirmation has been received that s.37 and she has been made aware of the SM post and the fact that she will likely notice an increased LE presence in her area.

Minister DUCLOS

- Minister Duclos (Minister of Health) has requested assistance getting to and from Parliament Hill on January 31st.

Minister BLAIR

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Minister FREELAND

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Minister JOLY

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Honourable Erin O'TOOLE:

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- There are concentrated patrols at Stornoway.
- At 5:09 PM on January 29th, POCC received call from Paul Mellon at SAA office in House of Commons advising that the Honourable Erin O'Toole called expressing concern with traffic in the neighborhood. Paul indicated that they were unsettled. VIP has contacted the Honourable Erin O'Toole to discuss and we will be sending a resource and vehicle over to his residence. PRU also continuing concentrated patrols in that area.
- VIPPD member attended Stornoway to meet with OLO's family. During meeting the member reiterated that the best way for immediate assistance is to call 911 and the RCMP would be advised accordingly, and quite likely the first ones to respond (PRU). OLO's spouse understand that placing a marked PC in front would attract attention and advised that the RCMP's presence in the area had increased significantly, thus, it might be a contributing factor to the increased traffic. She indicated that her husband had met with people from the convoy, however, felt that he would not be doing that again. This in person meeting left the family feeling reassured.

Speaker of the House

- Mr. ROTA has been assigned a driver. VIP has the required information for Mr. ROTA and will provide the same to the POCC today.
- The Speaker is at his residence in [Personal] today. s.37
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Minister CHAMPAGNE

- CoS has been asking a lot of questions, including how the RCMP will get him to Parliament Hill.
- CoS was informed that at this time the situation is fluid and that more info will come as the day progress'. s.37 (Jan 30, 10:24AM)

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